

(Milwaukee, WI) – Congresswoman Gwen Moore will host a public Earth Day event entitled, “Connecting Urban Citizens to Environmental and Ecological Issues” on April 18, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Residents of Milwaukee are invited to celebrate Earth Day, which is recognized simultaneously by 141 nations and half a billion people around the world each year.

The event will feature a dialogue between the public and experts from the U.S. Forest Service, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Sixteenth Street Community Health Center, and the Sierra Club. The discussion will focus specifically on the impact that urban citizens can have on the environment and the important role that a healthy environment plays in the daily lives of those that live in or near cities. Today there are significant health implications from air, water, and soil pollution, toxic waste disposal, pesticide use, the loss of biodiversity, invasive species, and the destruction of wilderness areas.

The deadline to register for this free event is 5 p.m., April 16, 2008. It will take place at Discovery World at Pier Wisconsin, 500 N Harbor Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53202. For more information and to register for the program, contact the office of Congresswoman Moore at (414) 297-1140.

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